

Geneva Public Library
Library Board Meeting
Tuesday, September 24, 2019

The Geneva Public Library Board met in open session at 5:30 p.m. abiding by the Nebraska Open Meeting Laws, with Troy Berggren – president, presiding. Other members in attendance were Trustees Deb Novak, Debbie Bullock, Apryl Schwarz; and Sarah Johnson, Library Director. Absent: Sally Miller. Mr. David Frook was a guest in attendance.

The minutes of the August Board Meeting had been emailed to members. The minutes were briefly reviewed before Deb N. made a motion to accept, seconded by Apryl S., and the minutes were approved.

The September bills were reviewed. After brief discussion, Apryl S. made a motion to pay the bills, Deb N. seconded the motion, and the bills were approved.

There was a review of the budget for the 2018-2019 fiscal year, ending September 30.

Sarah presented the Librarian's Report. There have been four programs this month. Three teens attended the TAG meeting, so those meetings may continue as long as there is interest.

Sarah presented the Board a bid of \$65,913 from Greg Dennis of Masonry Construction, Inc. to repair the masonry and concrete on the library building. Sarah will be applying for a grant to help defray the expenses.

The Secret Gardener will conclude his services September 30, 2019. On November 2 there will be the Fall Secret Garden Cleanup to prepare the garden for the winter months.

The library finished the annual inventory process. It was discovered that five high school yearbooks were stolen from the library's collection.

The Board has completed the CEU hours for accreditation (finishing with 22.5 hours).

The Holdings and Circulation Report was reviewed, with Sarah noting that a large number of Adult Fiction books have been "weeded" or removed from the collection due to wear and/or from nonuse (as part of the requirement for accreditation).

Sarah reported that after discussions with the City Administrator and the City's insurance agent, she learned that the Board is indemnified.

Mr. David Frook, president of the Geneva Public Library Foundation, reviewed the Board funds and gave instructions for a smooth transfer of the Board funds to the Foundation.

The Board voted to transfer all their financial assets to the Geneva Public Library Foundation, which is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, and to close the safe deposit box at Heartland Bank. Apryl S. made the motion, which was seconded by Deb N. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 6:08 pm after a motion by Deb N. and seconded by Apryl S.

The next meeting will be October 29 2019.

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Bullock
Secretary